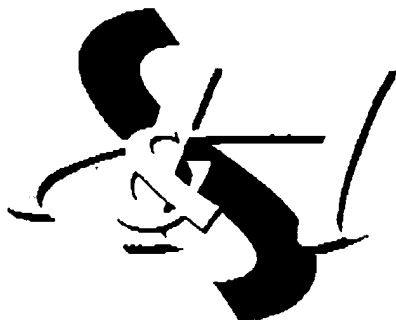


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Dear Examiner Soderquist:

In response to the non-final office action mailed on May 26, 2004, we enclose the following:

- 1) Amendment Transmittal with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated November 24, 2004 (2 pages);
- 2) Petition and Fee for Extension of Time with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated November 24, 2004 (2 pages);
- 3) Copy of an article entitled "Eighteenth International Symposium on Capillary Chromatography" (10 pages);
- 4) Credit Card Payment Form PTO-2038 in the amount of \$490.00 (1 page); and
- 5) Amendment A after RCE with Certificate of Facsimile Transmission under 37 CFR 1.8(a) dated November 24, 2004 (11 pages).

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Application No. : 09/763,419 Confirmation No.: 6244
Applicant: : Abdul Malik
Filed: : 07/19/2001
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Examiner : Arlen Soderquist

Docket No. : 1372.220.PRCWOUS
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For : Capillary Column and Method of Making

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

1. Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application.

STATUS

2. Applicant is an independent inventor. A statement was already filed.

EXTENSION OF TERM

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.136 apply. Applicant believes that an extension of term is required. A Petition and Fee for Extension of Time is attached hereto.

CERTIFICATE OF FACSIMILE TRANSMISSION

(37 C.F.R. 1.8 (a))

I HEREBY CERTIFY that this Amendment A, including Amendments to the Claims, and Remarks, is being transmitted by facsimile to the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Art Unit 1743, Attn: Arlen Soderquist, (703) 872-9310 on November 24, 2004.

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

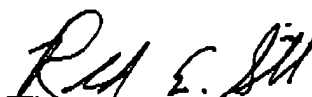
4. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim					+ \$145 =	\$0
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No additional fee for claims is required.

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Dear Sir:

In response to the nonfinal Examiner's Action mailed May 26, 2004, having a shortened statutory period for response set to expired August 26, 2004, and an extended statutory period for response set to expire November 26, 2004, the above-identified patent application is amended a first time as follows:

AMENDMENT A AFTER RCE
(37 C.F.R. § 1.111)

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.